SENATE BILL 3405 By Fowler

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 7, Chapter 57 and Title 29, Chapter 20, relative to governmental tort liability.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 29, Chapter 20, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section thereto:

29-20-112.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, the limits under §29-20-403 shall not apply to any medical malpractice action against any hospital regulated by a hospital authority in any county having a metropolitan form of government with a population of more than five hundred thousand (500,000) according to the 2000 federal census or any subsequent federal census or any employee thereof.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to all actions filed on or after such date.